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SEPTEMBER 15: George Washington: The Revolutionary War and the New Nation

From commanding the colonial army to becoming the first president of the United States, George Washington faced numerous crises & set numerous precedents. This session explores how he led the colonies to victory and how he shaped the new nation.

SEPTEMBER 22: Abraham Lincoln: Slavery and the Civil War

Abraham Lincoln was inaugurated as president on March 4, 1861. On April 12, the SC militia fired on Ft. Sumter, igniting the Civil War. This session discusses how Lincoln, facing a divided nation & the stigma of slavery, rose to the occasion preserving the union.

SEPTEMBER 29: Ulysses S. Grant: Civil War and Reconstruction

Chosen by Abraham Lincoln to lead the Union Army in the Civil War, Ulysses S. Grant proved to be a brilliant strategist, ultimately out dueling Confederate General Robert E. Lee. Elected president in the aftermath of the Civil War, he freed some four million slaves, and proved to be a brilliant leader, pulling the nation back together & protecting the rights of African Americans.

OCTOBER 6: Theodore Roosevelt: Big Business and the Progressive Era

Theodore Roosevelt became president in an era of big business, monopolies, industrial expansion, immigration, and urban poverty. Considered a champion of the Progressive movement, he is credited for many accomplishments that paved the way for modern America. This session looks at Roosevelt's accomplishments during what could be called a "societal crisis."

OCTOBER 13: Franklin Roosevelt & Harry Truman: Great Depression, WWII and the Cold War

The nation had been suffering from the Great Depression for over two years when Franklin Roosevelt became president in 1933. Through his leadership & vision, he led the nation through its economic collapse, confronted a world at war, and died on the cusp of victory, thrusting Harry Truman. Truman gave the order to drop the atomic bomb—bringing World War II to a close—then helped shape postwar America & the Cold War against the Soviet Union. This session focuses on these two outstanding presidents.

OCTOBER 20: John Kennedy & Lyndon Johnson: Cuban Missile Crisis / Civil Rights / Vietnam

John Kennedy took the nation to the brink of nuclear war and demonstrated tremendous leadership. Unfortunately, his presidency ended much too soon, thrusting Lyndon Johnson into the Oval Office. Johnson immediately pledged to carry on Kennedy's programs. Although a Southern Democrat, he must be credited for his Great Society and his efforts for African Americans. Unfortunately, Vietnam proved to be too much of a detriment to his own goals. This class looks at the leadership and resolve of both men.



